

### REMARKS

This Response is being made in answer to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed October 22, 2003. Only the claims included in Applicants' October 9, 2003 are being resubmitted. These claims replace the erroneous status identifiers of "previously amended" and "previously added," with "previously presented" as required by the current guidelines.

It is not believed that any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Response; nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge U.S. PTO Deposit Account 08-2336 in the amount of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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